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## Glenn is Top Spring Wheat Variety in North Dakota

Glenn is the leading spring wheat variety in North Dakota for the fourth consecutive year with nearly 1.68 million acres planted statewide, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. It accounts for 25.0 percent of the 6.70 million acres of spring wheat planted in 2010. Faller ranks second with 15.0 percent of the spring wheat acreage. Kelby represents 6.4 percent of the spring wheat planted and ranks third. RB07 and Briggs rank fourth and fifth, respectively, both with 4.9 percent of the spring wheat acres planted. Freyr is sixth with 4.8 percent of the spring wheat acreage. Howard and Steele-ND rank seventh and eighth, respectively, with 4.7 and 3.6 percent of the spring wheat acres planted. The top eight varieties account for 69.3 percent of the spring wheat planted in 2010. North Dakota continues to rank first in spring wheat planted acreage in the United States, with 48.2 percent of the nation's total acreage.

Divide is the leading Durum wheat variety for the second straight year. Divide accounts for 26.6 percent of the 1.80 million acres planted compared with 20.6 in 2009 and 7.6 percent in 2008. Mountrail and Lebsock rank second and third, respectively, with 12.9 and 12.7 percent of the Durum wheat acres. Alkabo ranks fourth in Durum wheat acreage with 9.5 percent, and Pierce ranks fifth with 7.9 percent. The top five varieties account for 69.6 percent of the Durum wheat acreage in North Dakota. Once again, North Dakota ranks first in Durum wheat planted acreage with 67.3 percent of the nation's estimated 2.68 million acres planted.

Jerry accounts for 48.2 percent of the 2010 winter wheat planted acreage in North Dakota, marking the seventh year as the most popular winter wheat variety. CDC Falcon and Wesley rank second and third, respectively, with 12.2 and 6.7 percent of the winter wheat acres planted. Hawken ranks fourth with 6.4 percent of the winter wheat acreage planted in North Dakota.

The data in this report are based on survey of wheat producers conducted during June by the North Dakota Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Highly reliable state averages are produced from 2,153 positive reports from 5,308 respondents. The North Dakota Wheat Commission and the North Dakota State University (NDSU) Agriculture Experiment Station provided supporting funds for this survey. The NDSU Extension Service provided variety descriptions. Free copies of the publications are available from the North Dakota Wheat Commission; (701) 328-5111 or ndwheat@ndwheat.com.